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1. DEPARTMENT PREFERS THAT TEXT SUBMITTED IN REFTEL A
CONFORM MORE CLOSELY TO STOCKHOLM DECLARATION IN TWO
RESPCTS: (1) THIRD SENTENCE SHOULD READ,"THE ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICIES OF ALL STATES SHOULD ENHANCE AND NOT ADVERSELY
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AFFECT THE PRESENT OR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL OF

DEVELOPING COUNTRIES." AND (2) FOURTH SENTENCE SHOULD READ, "ALL STATES HAVE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT ACTIVITIES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION AND CONTROL DO NOT CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENT OF OTHER STATES OR OF AREAS BEYOND THE LIMITS OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION."

2. U.S.DEL COULD EXPLAIN THAT STOCKHOLM LANGUAGE WAS PRODUCT OF INTENSIVE AND DELICATE NEGOTIATIONS AND IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR UNCTAD TO ALTER OR DEPART FROM THIS COMPROMISE LANGUAGE. FYI: DEPARTMENT BELIEVES INCLUSION OF WORD "POTENTIAL" IN THIRD SENTENCE HELPS TO DISPEL POSSIBLE IMPLICATION THAT WE MUST ENFORCE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS LESS RIGOROUSLY AGAINST LDC'S. INCLUSION OF REFERENCE TO CHARTER AND PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW DESIRABLE IN FOURTH SENTENCE TO DELIMIT EXTENT OF STATE RESPONSIBILITY. END FYI. SISCO

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